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MUNICIPAL NOTIFICATION.

No. 1999.

NOTICE is hereby given that the following nine Ratepayers, having been duly nominated, are, in accordance with the terms of Article XVIII of the Land Regulations, considered to be elected as Councillors for the Municipal year 1910 :—

H. J. Craig
H. De Gray
H. Du F. Hutchison
D. Landale
H. A. J. Macray
O. Meuser
C. Selby Moore
W. A. C. Platt
T. E. Trueman.

Notice is hereby given that Mr. G. W. Nöel, having been duly nominated by land-owners, is, in accordance with Article VIA of the Land Regulations, considered to be elected as Land Commissioner for the Municipal year 1910.

By order,

W. E. LEVESON,
Secretary.

Council Room,
Shanghai, January 18, 1910.

AT the meeting of the Council held on Wednesday, January 12, 1910, at 4.30 p.m., there are present:

Messrs. D. Landale (*Chairman*)
H. De Gray
F. C. Heffer
W. D. Little
H. A. J. Macray
O. Meuser
W. A. C. Platt
J. Prentice
T. E. Trueman
The Secretary and Assistant Secretary.

The summons calling the meeting is taken as read.

The minutes of the last meeting are read, confirmed, signed by the Chairman and passed for publication.

Volunteers.

Annual Training and Inspection.—The Commandant notifies the date fixed for the Annual Training of the Corps, from March 7 for Mounted and March 19 for Dismounted Units, to Saturday, April 23. It is decided to request the General Officer Commanding H.M. Forces in South China to hold the usual Annual Inspection on the last-named date.

"*A*" *Company.*—A proposal to form a Mounted Section of the Company, which for tactical and defence purposes would be at the disposal of the Commandant, is approved. Colonel Barnes anticipates a membership of 30, and states that no additional expense will be incurred thereby.

Police.

Foreign Branch.—The resignation of Inspector McDowell is accepted with effect from March 31, the date of expiry of his agreement.

Constable Randall is dismissed the Force for continued drunkenness and insubordination with effect from December 31, 1909.

Nine months' leave of absence is granted to the following from April 4 :—

Sergeant Coll
,, Kerrigan
,, Maguire
,, Smyth

Case of Irregular Arrest.—The Chairman states that, with the authority of the Consular Body, the three Assessors at the Mixed Court have proceeded to the City Magistrate's Yamên for the discussion of the case of the Tipao, Ng Ah-dau, and that the result of their mission will be known shortly.

(As a result of this step the man was transferred on the night of January 12 from the City Magistrate's Yamên to that of the Taotai, by whom he was tried on the following morning and released on security.)

Translation of Court Order issued by the Shanghai Taotai, Tsai Nai-huang permitting Ng Ah-dau to find security, from the "Sinwanpao" of January 15, 1910.

In the case of the arrest of Ng Ah-dau by the Magistrate's runners a personal statement has been received from the Consular officials that the man was captured, by encroaching upon the Settlement at Markham Road; and that such cases have hitherto been tried by the Mixed Court. On the other hand the Shanghai District Magistrate, Tien, reports in person that this arrest was effected outside the Settlement at Cho Dae Ka.

Both parties argued and discussed this matter in the Magistrate's Yamên until 9 o'clock, without arriving at a conclusion. I therefore have myself brought up and examined the concerned, and he makes a statement that he was taken at the door of the Yu Yuen Silk Filature, which is in disagreement with the original evidence. Hence an investigation in detail shall be awaited. Since the views of the Magistrate Tien and the Consular Officials are at variance, it is unsuitable that Ng Ah-dau shall be sent back to him for imprisonment. Moreover, he has been in prison a long while, and on inspection he bears the appearance of very grave disease. Further there are no cells at this office. He shall therefore present satisfactory security, and for the present undergo medical treatment, the time limit of one month being fixed wherein he shall come up for hearing and further judgment. If there be an unfinished suit against him this tipao being a servant of the officials should, to begin with, come up as, and when he is summonsed, and can by no means proceed as an unconcerned person. If he ventures to exceed the time limit and disobeys, the guarantor shall be held responsible. These are the orders issued.

Commissioner of Customs.

A letter from Mr. H. F. Merrill, Commissioner of Customs, informs the Council that, acting under instructions from the Inspector-General, he has this day taken over charge of the Custom House from Mr. H. E. Hobson.

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Municipal Employes Club.

The attention of the Council is drawn to the proposed formation of a club to be open to all foreign members of the Service, outside of the Police Force. The objects of the club are set out in a circular which has been issued, and an expression of opinion is sought as to what assistance, if any, might be given to the project. A membership of about 70 is anticipated, and the Council is favourably disposed towards the scheme, on the grounds that the Overseers, Collectors and Inspectors in the various Departments are entitled to some such facilities for recreation as are at pre ent enjoyed by the members of the Police Force. After full consideration payment of the rent of suitable and approved premises for a club house is authorized, upon lines similar to those obtaining in respect to the Customs Club, and a further grant will be made to cover the cost of a billiard table. It is directed that the Rules of the Club be submitted for the Council's approval.

Road Extensions and Widenings.

Peking Road.—The proposal of the Engineer to complete the metalling, with standard footways, of this road west of Cadastral Lot 298 and along the frontage of Cadastral Lot 191, is approved, at an estimated cost of Tls. 5,355

Avenue and Hart Roads.—An improvement of the corner of these roads has been effected by the surrender ex Cadastral Lot 3286 at the assessed value of a small piece of land measuring Mow. 0 022. Registered Owner, Mr. E. Wheen: price Tls. 77.

Sinza Stone Bridge.

A letter from the Senior Consul forwards an application from the Taotai that the traffic be diverted from this Bridge during repairs. In reply it is decided to take the opportunity to revert to a proposal to rebuild the structure in steel, in terms of the Council's recent decision :—

Shanghai, January 10, 1910.

SIR,—I hand you herewith translation of letter from the Taotai regarding police arrangements pending repairs to the Stone bridge.

I am, Sir,

Your obedient servant,

D. SIFFERT,

Consul-General for Belgium, and Senior Consul.

D. LANDALE, Esq.,

Chairman, Municipal Council.

Translation of letter from the Shanghai Taotai Tsai Nai-huang to the Senior Consul, dated January 7, 1910.

On January 3 a dispatch was received from the Head Office of Constabulary as follows :—

"The Sinza bridge is in a very "dilapidated condition and it is proposed "to begin work at an early date on its "repair. All passengers shall therefore "for the time being change their route; "but as the southern end of this bridge "adjoins the Settlement, it is according-"ly requested that a communication be "addressed to the Senior Consul re-"questing him to direct the Police to "instruct passengers from the Settle-"ment to comply without exception."

This special letter is directed to the Senior Consul, requesting him to take note and give directions for compliance.

Council Room,

Shanghai, January 14, 1910.

SIR,—I have the honour to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of January 10, conveying the Taotai's request as to diverting the traffic over the Sinza Stone Bridge during projected repairs.

In reply thereto I have the honour to suggest that the attention of the Native Authorities be again drawn to the desirability of re erecting the bridge in steel, and rendering it available for carriage traffic.

The proposals which the Council made in 1902, and 1905/6 still remain unaccepted, and I venture to express the hope that the Consular Body will use its influence in prevailing upon the Taotai to assent to the scheme in the interests no less of the residents in the district than of the conservancy of the Soochow Creek.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your obedient servant,

DAVID LANDALE,

Chairman.

D. SIFFERT, Esq.,

Consul-General for Belgium,

and Senior Consul.

Electricity Department.

Transformer Kiosks.—The Electrical Engineer requests permission to erect a transformer kiosk, 4 feet square, in the middle of the broad section of the Foochow Road at the Hoopeh Road corner. In regard to a suggestion that the kiosk be placed on the adjacent footpath, it is noted that considerable objection exists on the part of the adjoining owners, and, while of opinion that such structures should not be allowed to become obstructions to traffic, the Council, in view of the circumstances and as a special case, sanctions the erection of the kiosk on trial upon a traffic island in the middle of the road.

Semaphore Service.

A note from the French Council forwards an estimate of the cost of the service during 1910, aggregating Tls. 7,768. The reasons for this large increase are noted, and the Council expresses willingness to defray one-half of the sum mentioned:—

Translation of letter from the French Municipal Council to the Council dated January 10, 1910.

SIR,—I have the honour to address to you herewith an account showing provision inserted in our Budget for the Semaphore Service and Meridian Ball during the year 1910.

The notable increase of appropriations provided to this end is to be explained by the twofold reason that the Semaphore has just been furnished with an important electric installation, with a view to providing night signals; and that further, at the request of the Rev. Fr. Froc, there is need of proceeding with the reprinting of a code of signals, of which the stock is almost entirely exhausted, while the existing work requires revision and completion.

I am, etc.,

G. LAFERRIERE,

Secretary.

W. E. LEVESON, Esq.,

Secretary, Municipal Council.

Translation of estimate of expenditure for the Semaphore Service during the year 1910.

			Tls.	Tls.
Subscription to the Observatory Tls. 25 per mensem			300	
1 Chinese clerk Tls. 7.50 per mensem			90	390
Telephone Service:—				
Subscription for the Observatory, Semaphore & Ball.				460
Staff:—				
Employe in charge Tls. 135 per mensem				
Rent allowance ...	30			
	—	165	1,980	
European Assistant	40			
Rent allowance ..	20			
	—	60	720	
1 watchman		14	168	
1 coolie.....		8	96	
1 bulletin carrier .		7	84	
				3,048
Miscellaneous Expenses:—				
Bunting halyards, printing, coal, etc.			1,000	
Printing of new code of signals.			1,500	
Installation of light signals. Placing of wires			1,000	
Consumption of Electricity ...			150	
Maintenance of electrical apparatus			200	
Consumption of water			20	3,870
Total.....Tls.				7,768

G. LAFERRIERE,

Secretary,

French Municipal Council

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Council Room,
Shanghai, January 14, 1910.

SIR,—I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of January 10, and, in reply thereto, to state that the Council accepts the estimate you enclose for the cost of the Semaphore service during 1910, and will make provision in the forthcoming Budget for payment of one-half of the sum named, i.e., an appropriation of Tls. 3,884.

I am, Sir,
Your obedient servant,
W. E. LEVESON,
Secretary.

G. LAFERRIERE, Esq.,
Secretary, French Municipal Council.

Public School for Chinese.

The minutes of the meeting of the School Committee of January 11, are read and confirmed. There were present:

Rev. A. J. Walker (*Chairman*)
Messrs. J. C. Ferguson
H. A. J. Macray
Shen Tun-ho
The Headmaster and Assistant Secretary.

Terminal Examinations.—The Headmaster recommends that these take place on January 17. After some discussion as to whether it is advisable to invite any native literary person of note to inspect the papers in Chinese work, it is decided to defer this course for at least a year, in order to afford, in the first place, ample time for the re-organization of the Chinese work by the new Head Teacher.

Political Discussions.—A report by the Headmaster forwards a proposal by the native staff that the pupils contribute to a fund for the repayment of indemnities due by China to the Powers. It is noted that the Chinese teachers have advocated this in order to avoid appearing unpatriotic, and not in the opinion that the School should be involved in any political agitation. The Committee records the view that care should be taken to avoid attracting the attention of the pupils to matters of politics.

[*To this minute the Council adds an expression of opinion that explicit instructions should be given to the Headmaster that he use every endeavour to concentrate the attention of the boys on their work, to the exclusion of political or semi-political matters.*]

Foreign Staff.—The arrival of Mr. L. H. Turner, the fourth Assistant Master, on January 6, is noted.

In view of the approaching termination of the services of another member of the staff the Headmaster suggests that the appointment of his successor be arranged by Mr. Addis and himself during his home leave, to arrive at the beginning of the Winter Term, i.e., in September next. This recommendation is approved.

School Plant.—A report by the Headmaster is read recommending the purchase of a new organ. The existing organ is, in his opinion, insufficiently powerful for the large Assembly Hall, and that which he has in view is the Estey instrument lately discarded by the St. Andrew's Church, which can probably be obtained at a reasonable figure. The necessity for such a purchase is questioned by one member, and the chief reason brought forward is that it aids the teaching of singing. Discussion accordingly follows as to whether the existing organ will not suffice. The matter is ultimately left for discussion by the Council, with the recommendation that the necessary amount be provided.

[*The Council is unanimously of opinion that, having regard to the increased estimates of the School the purchase is not justifiable.*]

Tenders.

That of Yao Zung-kee for the supply of Turf during 1910 is authorized for acceptance. From Tl. 0.66 to Tl. 0.73 per fong, according to situation.

The following tenders were also received:—

	Tl.	
S. D. M. Tschuen	0.65 to	0.73
Koo Ah-dong	0.70	0.76
Yoh Yu-sung	0.74	0.80
Ha Hsing-kee	0.75	0.79

The meeting adjourns at 6.15 p.m.

Notification of Infectious Disease.

The following have been reported during the week ending Sunday, Jan. 16, 1910.	Death among Chinese population of 550,000	Cases notified among Non-Chinese population of 15,000.
Small-pox.	0	0
Cholera.	0	0
Typhoid Fever	—	0
Diphtheria.	0	0
Scarlet Fever.	1	0
Tuberculosis	20	0
Plague	0	0
Total Deaths from all Causes	115	4

ARTHUR STANLEY,
Health Officer.

Public Band.

Public Performances.—A performance of dance music will be given in the Town Hall to-day, Thursday, January 20, at 5.30 p.m., instead of the usual Friday performance, which will not take place owing to preparations for the forthcoming entertainment by the King's Daughters' Society.

The attendance on Sunday, January 16, numbered 1000, and the Hall was emptied in 6 minutes.

The programme for Sunday, January 23, at 4.30 p.m., is as follows:—

1. Overture—"Son and Stranger" Mendelssohn
2. Entracte No. 3—"Rosamunde" Schubert
3. "Three English Dances in the Olden Style" ..... Cowen

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4. Symphony No. 1, in C minor Brahms
5. Dream Pantomime—"Hänsel and Gretel" ..... Humperdinck
6. Hungarian Rhapsody No. 1, in F major..... Liszt

Conductor-in-charge, Mr. R. Buck.

Health Officer's Report for December 1909.

During December there has been an increase in the number of cases of Diphtheria, none of which, however, ended fatally. Although two cases of Scarlet fever were notified among the foreign resident community, one of which was fatal, the disease has not been observed among the Chinese. The number of cases of Typhoid fever has markedly diminished. Small-pox has continued almost completely absent. The general health conditions of the Settlement may, therefore, be reported satisfactory, the number of deaths from all causes both among foreigners and Chinese being exceptionally low. There has, however, been an increase in the number of plague-infected rats but, as a result of very active measures of rat destruction concentrated on the infected areas, the number considerably diminished towards the end of the month.

The first of the three courses of lectures under the auspices of the St. John Ambulance Association organized by the Health Office, namely, those in "Hygiene—the Science of Health," by Dr. Moore will be held for ladies and gentlemen weekly on Wednesdays at 5.30 p.m. at the rooms of the Royal Asiatic Society commencing on January 5. While those on "Home Nursing" for ladies will be given by Dr. Davis at the Nursing Home on Thursdays at 5.30 p.m beginning on January 20. The lectures and practical demonstrations in "First Aid" will be commenced by Dr. Davis before the end of January and, as there are only a few vacancies left, those wishing to attend are requested to send in their names to the Health Officer.

ARTHUR STANLEY,
Health Officer.

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DEATHS.

	Foreign. Resident.	Foreign. Non-Resident.	Native.
Small-pox	0	0	2
Cholera	0	0	0
Typhoid Fever	1	0	—
Diphtheria	0	0	3
Scarlet Fever	1	1	0
Tuberculosis	1	0	44
From all causes	9	9	535

INFECTIOUS DISEASE NOTIFIED AMONG FOREIGN RESIDENT POPULATION.

Small-pox	0
Cholera	0
Typhoid Fever	1
Diphtheria	6
Scarlet Fever	2
Tuberculosis	0

MUNICIPAL LABORATORY.

Small-pox vaccine issued	686 tubes
Vaccinations	249
Diphtheria Antitoxin issued	46 bottles
Cases undergoing anti-rabic treatment	1
Bacteriological examinations	78
Analyses	35

VICTORIA NURSING HOME.

Cases admitted	27
Discharged	32
Died	0
Remaining last day of month	20
Nursed outside the Home	6
Daily visits	0
Nursing pre-engagements	1

ISOLATION HOSPITALS

		Foreign.	Native
Cases Admitted—	Small-pox	1	1
	Cholera	0	0
	Typhoid Fever	0	0
	Diphtheria	9	1
	Scarlet Fever	3	0
	Other Diseases	1	22
Discharged		1	22
Died		3	1
Remaining last day of month		10	44

SLAUGHTER-HOUSE RETURNS.

	Slaughtered.	Rejected at Slaughter-house.	Passed for Slaughter from Cattle-sheds.	Passed for Export from Cattle-sheds.	Rejected at Cattle-sheds.
Oxen	1541	9	1541	2	0
Sheep	2674	1	2674	34	2
Calves	400	0	400	0	0
Pigs	466	1	0	0	0

SUMMARY OF PLAGUE PREVENTION WORK

	District				Total
	Eastern	Northern	Centra	Western	
Rats found dead and brought to the Laboratory for examination	380	325	427	145	1277
Rats plague infected	4	10	11	3	28
No. of traps in operation	2200	2400	1500	400	6500
No. of rats trapped and burnt	4175	5935	2380	1413	13903
Poisoned baits laid	109780	256240	1588000	76260	2030280
Houses temporarily rat-proofed and disinfected under notice to occupier	519	240	3723	526	5008
Houses rat-proofed under notice to owner	0	0	0	0	0
Persons vaccinated against plague	0	0	0	0	0

REPORT ON ANALYSIS OF WATER.

Sample received December 29, 1909.

Report sent out January 5, 1910.

Sample of Shanghai Waterworks Co.'s Water.

Physical Characters.—Yellowish green colour with moderate opacity. Slightly alkaline reaction.

Solid Matter in Solution	10.8
a.—Volatile	4.6
b.—Fixed	6.2
Appearance on Ignition	Slight charring
Total Hardness	7.8
a.—Temporary	3.2
b.—Permanent	4.6
Chlorine	1.5
Nitrogen as Nitrates	0.0425
Saline Ammonia	0.0022
Albuminoid Ammonia	0.0141
Poisonous Metals	Nil
Nitrites	Nil
Phosphates	Nil
Sulphates	Traces.

Bacteriological Examination.—Gelatine plates at 23° C. yielded an average of 116 micro-organisms per cubic centimetre.

Agar plates at 37° showed an average of 26.

Organisms of the coli group were present in quantities of 0.5 c.c and upwards.

Report on Analysis.—A sample of water of a high degree of chemical and of fair biological purity.

LICENSED DAIRIES.

Dairy.	Situation.
EASTERN	DISTRICT.
Riverside Farm	76 Yangtszepoo Road
Shanghai Dairy	" "
Inshallah Dairy Farm	71 Ward Road
Sung Shing Dairy	Thorburn Road
Yangtszepoo Farm	" "
Farfield Dairy	19 Kwenming Road
Wayside Dairy	1543 Tongshan Road
Tuh Shing Dairy	East Kashing Road
Kalgan Dairy Farm	East Yuhang Road
NORTHERN	DISTRICT.
International Dairy.	N. Szechuen Road
Hongkew Dairy	" "
Yong Shu Fong	N. Honan Road
Mo Hung Shing	N. Szechuen Road
Ching Kee	N. Honan Road
Hong Kee	N Szechuen Road
Pau Chee	N Honan Road
Shing Kee	N. Honan Road
Private Dairy	Range Road
WESTERN	DISTRICT.
The Farm	Siccawei Road
Crawford's Dairy	" "
St. George's Farm	Bubbling Well Road
Swiss Farm	" " "
Culty's Dairy	Route d'Oumer
Lemke's (Private) Dairy	460 Ave. Paul Brunat
Hung Fei's Dairy	Bubbling Well Road
Yuen Sung	" " "
Zee Butler	601 Burkill Road
Gordon Rd. Dairy Co.	1128 Gordon Road
Yui Chong	756 Avenue Road
Fok Kyi	1401 " "
Hop Shing	1 Yu Yuen Road
Nee Shing	Markham Road
Yok Kyi	Medhurst Road
The Dairy Farm and Produce Co.	Siccawei Road
The Australian Dairy Farm	16 Siccawei Road

LICENSED BUTCHERS, POULTRY, GAME AND VEGETABLE DEALERS.

Butchers.	Situation.
NORTHERN	DISTRICT.
W. Futterer	1106 Broadway
Fritz Pasche	7 "
R. Neumann	Astor Road
Dzung Yung Chung	72 Tiendong Road
Kyung Yue Shing	671 " "
Tsiang Ka Va	672 " "
Lo Jung	957 Woochang Road
Sieu Kam Cheong	5 and 6 Market Road
Wong Yeek Sang	1457 Woosung Road
Vee Ching Kee	1578 " "
Ah Sing	17 Market Road
A. Möhle	178 Boone Road
G. Steiger & Co.	63 N. Szechuen Road
Li Yoen	69 Tiendong Road
CENTRAL	DISTRICT.
Hop Foong	17 Maloo Market
Hong Kee	19 " "
Yeh Tai	27 " "
Tsin Tai	28 " "
Yoong Ta	29 " "
Hopkins	1 Ningpo Road
A Möhle	27 Maloo Market
Hop Shing & Co.	23 " "
Vegetable	and Game.
NORTHERN	DISTRICT.
Tsau Sung Ling	677 Tiendong Road
Yue Ming Kwai	1451 Woosung Road
Vee Fah Kee	182 Market Road
Sau Z. Yoong	32 & 33 Miller Road
CENTRAL	DISTRICT
Tsao Sung Ling	12 Maloo Market
Lin Yun Kung	14 " "
Tsu Chee Ling	15 " "
Vee Ah Sun	16 " "
Loh Ah Sai	18 " "
Nui Ah Char	26 " "
Zung Tsau Ming	30 " "
Bak Yung Ling	31 " "
Chu Wai Chu	33 " "

LICENSED LAUNDRIES.

Laundry.	Situation.
EASTERN	DISTRICT.
Ah Chow	465-6 Dent Road
Ah Kung	467 do.
Old Ah Foo	469-71 do.
Jackson	472-3 do.
Big Sam	66-8 Dent Lane
Jim	1858 Seward Road
Wo Yue	1859 do.
Yue Shing	1860 do.
Ching Kee	1861 do.
Mew Shing	1862 do.
Ah Ling	1863 do.
Jackson and Tawaza	1864 do.
Big Jim	1192 Yuhang Road
Ah Kee	222 Tongshan Road
Kashing Nos. 1-52	181-274 Harbin Road
NORTHERN	DISTRICT.
Yoh Shing	846 Woosung Road
Miller	308 Miller Road
Chin Kee	1113 Woosung Road
Wong Ah Sam	1381 Haining Road
Yah Tah Tung	2818 Haining Road.
N. Y. K.	N. Szechuen Rd. Ex.
International No. 1-13	N. Szechuen Rd. Ex.
WESTERN	DISTRICT.
Yung Shing Washing Co	301-18 C'king Rd.
Woo Kee Washing Co.	259 Taku Road
Doo Foo Washing Co.	55 Yates Road
Ziang Shing " "	211 Weihaiwei Rd.
Shz Shing Washing Co.	104-5 "
Yung Sun Washing Co.	210 "

AERATED WATER FACTORIES.

The Aquarius Co.	2 Muirhead Road
A. S. Watson & Co.	134 N. Szechuen Road
Llewellyn & Co.	9 Canton Road

LICENSED ICE FACTORIES.

The Shanghai Ice, Cold Storage and Refrigeration Co.	Yangtszepoo Road.
The Oriental Ice Co.	8 Thorne Road.

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GENERAL SANITARY WORK.

December 1909.

	District				Total.
	Eastern	Northern	Central	Western	
Vaccination against small-pox	57	52	60	54	223
Enquiries after notification of foreign cases of infectious disease	2	6	4	4	16
Enquiries after notification of Chinese cases of, and deaths from, infectious disease	28	10	89	8	135
Rooms disinfected after infectious disease	31	32	12	21	96
Articles of clothing, bedding, etc., disinfected by steam	2695	173	118	194	3180
Houses cleansed and limewashed	572	417	34	0	1023
Ventilation and lighting amended	0	5	0	0	5
Defective drainage amended	7	17	19	2	45
Insanitary wells abolished...	2	0	0	2	4
Proper water supply provided	0	0	0	0	0
Insanitary latrines and urinals rendered healthy ...	2	1	3	1	7
Night-soil pits and kongs abolished	34	0	0	4	38
Exposed coffined corpses removed and buried	5	7	0	0	12
Smoke nuisances suppressed	0	0	0	0	0
Offensive trade processes amended	0	0	0	0	0
Beggar-boats removed...	1	0	0	2	3
Complaints of insanitary conditions received from the Public	1	3	14	5	23
Insanitary conditions reported by the Health Office.	23	29	0	8	60
Written intimations issued for sanitary amendment	22	6	0	15	43
Second written intimations issued for sanitary amendment	6	0	0	2	8
Notices of intention to proceed served	0	0	0	0	0
Samples taken for analysis...	10	0	0	18	28
Pounds of unsound food destroyed	300	150	650	30	1130
Hawkers brought into Markets...	111	132	64	30	337
Food prosecutions...	2	1	0	2	5
House refuse prosecutions	27	2	0	14	43
Laundry and other prosecutions...	4	0	0	0	4
Tons of ordure removed	1240	2550	1660	1116	6566
Tons of house refuse removed	2316	3517	4913	985	11732

MILK FROM LICENSED DAIRIES EXAMINED IN THE LABORATORY AND FOUND ADULTERATED, ETC.

Dairy.	Situation.	Licensee.	Adulteration, etc.
The Farm	10 Siccawei Road.	R. W. Shaw	18.6% added water.
The Farm	10 Siccawei Road.	R. W. Shaw	6 " "
Hop Shing Dairy	1 Yu Yuen Road.	Sung Ah Kung	33.6 " "
Kiangsu Dairy	357 Markham Road.	Dau Sian Man	2.6 " "
Yui Chong Dairy	1756 Avenue Road.	Yau Z Kya	1.6 " "

Report of Captain-Superintendent of Police for December, 1909.

Strength of the Force on December 31, 1909.

Officers	8
Foreigners	221
Sikhs	438
Chinese	991
Clerical and Teaching Staff ...	47
Followers...	110
Total ...	1,815

Crime.—The final month of the year has shown considerable reduction in general crime compared with December 1908. As the closing months of the year usually bring with them a severe epidemic of minor crimes the reduction may be attributed to the new system which has been in force during 1909. Reference is made to the employment of plain clothes constables for special work both night and day throughout the Settlement.

With regard to the control of waterways traversing the Settlement being in the hands of the Municipal Council, I would like to draw attention to a case which has been investigated during the previous month.

On the 17th ultimo a successful capture was made at a native house in Markham Road of five men who were in possession of a large quantity of silk, skin clothing, jewellery and precious stones; also Mauser ammunition. Upon investigation the robbers turned out to be well known to the Chinese authorities at Tsingpoo where they had committed various highway robberies to the amount of many thousands of taels. By means of the local waterways these men were able to traverse the country at will posing as harmless boatmen. It was their custom to come to Shanghai and tie up in the Soochow Creek from whence they entered the Settlement. A large quantity of property—proceeds of robberies—has been recovered from various pawnshops in the Settlement. The presence of these men can be directly attributed to the easy and practically uncontrolled entry of such persons by means of a boat into the very heart of the Settlement.

Fires.—During the past month twenty-one fires were reported. Of this number the Fire Brigade extinguished six, and were called out on five other occasions which proved to be false alarms. Out of the twenty-one fires reported eleven premises were uninsured. A large percentage of the total number of fires reported were minor occurrences and of very little consequence.

There was one case of attempted arson in West Hongkew district and one in Sinza district.

In December 1908 there were twenty-seven fires, in December 1907 twenty-eight fires.

Opium.—At the end of 1909 the remainder of the opium shops in this Settlement were closed.

So far as can be ascertained the action of this community in ranging itself directly upon the side of the Chinese authorities in their endeavour to eradicate the vice of opium smoking has had a powerful moral effect.

There are reasons for supposing that the consumption of the drug privately has markedly increased. This, however, was to be expected and the risk had to be taken. It now remains for local Chinese to prove themselves serious in the endeavour to stamp out opium smoking, and to show by the support which they give to the Municipal Council of this Settlement that they fully appreciate the step which the ratepayers have taken.

Gambling on the Settlement Borders.—In spite of frequent appeals to the Chinese police to assist in stamping out gambling upon the borders of the Settlement, I regret to have to report that there is little if any decrease. The old centre in the vicinity of the Tongshan Road still remains the happy hunting ground of the gambling fraternity. As has so frequently been pointed out before, the presence of the owners of the gambling sheds openly carrying out their lucrative trade under the eyes of the Paoshan police is a direct incentive to dishonest servants in this Settlement to thieve from their employers.

Lekin.—Fresh cases of lekin extortion on the part of the Chinese authorities occurred on December 13 and 16 in Jessfield village. A somewhat peculiar incident in this particular case was the presence on board of a foreigner working on behalf of the Chinese on the lekin boat.

Illegal Arrest in the Settlement.—Attention has already been called to the illegal arrest in August last of a man Ng Ah-dau by name on the Markham Road. In connexion with this case it has now been ascertained that the man Ng Ah-dau has been kept in confinement in the City Yamên where he has been on various occasions brutally beaten by the orders of the City Magistrate. The facts of the case have been clearly proved. Attention is once more called to the fact that such ill-treatment, to use no stronger term, is tolerated if not encouraged by the higher Chinese authorities in the Native City; while, at the same time, ordinary corporal punishment humanely administered under the orders of the Mixed Court is strenuously objected to by these same Chinese authorities in the Settlement.

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RETURN OF CONVICT LABOUR FOR DECEMBER 1909.

Net value of work performed for the P. W. D.....	Tls. 603 99
Less. Sandals and repairs to carts.....	,, 74.02
Total for labour...	Tls. 529.97
Work completed in addition to that for the P. W. D.	Tls. 2,057.73
Less. Cost of raw material	,, 1,195.37
Total for labour...	Tls. 862.36
Grand total for labour...	Tls. 1,392.33

Here follow tables of persons coming under the Notice of the Police for criminal and other offences, punishments inflicted, prisoners in custody, vehicles licenses suspended and confiscated, dogs captured, etc., value of property stolen and recovered, and warrants and summonses.

C. D. BRUCE,
Captain-Superintendent of Police.

PRISONERS IN CUSTODY on December 31, 1909.

Central Station	34
Louza Station	50
Hongkew Station	41
West Hongkew Station	28
Harbin Road Sub-Station	13
Wayside Station	10
Gaol	763
Yangtszepoo Station	20
Sinza Station	20
Bubbling Well Station	25
Total	1,004

WARRANTS AND SUMMONSES.

	Issued	Executed or Served
Warrants	62	33
Summonses	168	124

DOGS.

At Kennels Nov. 30, 09	13	226
Captured	213	
Returned	13	226
Killed	196	
Remaining at Kennels	17	

RETURN OF PERSONS COMING UNDER THE NOTICE OF POLICE FOR CRIMINAL AND OTHER OFFENCES.

Offences.	Foreigers.	Natives.	Total
(*a.*) OFFENCES AGAINST THE PERSON :—			
Manslaughter		1	1
Attempted suicide		5	5
Cutting and wounding		1	1
Assault	1	62	63
Abduction	3		3
Kidnapping		20	20
Cruelty to or trafficking in Women or Children		2	2
Bringing false charges		3	3
Libel		1	1
Malicious injury to person		3	3
Contempt of Court	1		1
Breach of King's Regulations	1		1
(*b.*) OFFENCES AGAINST RIGHTS OF PROPERTY :—			
Embezzlement		5	5
Extortion		10	10
Burglary		14	14
Housebreaking		6	6
Obtaining goods or money by false pretences		16	16
Fraud		24	24
Receiving stolen property		10	10
Unlawful possession		37	37
Forgery		2	2
Uttering counterfeit coins		1	1
Arson		1	1
Malicious injury		1	1
Larceny	2	331	333
Civil Offences :			
Debt		27	27
Breach of Contract		5	5
Others		28	28
Trespass		7	7
(*c.*) ACTS INJURIOUS TO THE PUBLIC :—			
Common nuisances		1,929	1,929
Vagrancy		82	82
Returning after expulsion	2	26	28
Disorderly and Improper conduct	6	186	192
Soliciting prostitution		21	21
Depositing garbage		26	26
Traffic :—			
Furious driving		7	7
Obstruction		2,170	2,170
Arms, unlawful carrying		1	1
Storing straw in excessive quantities		2	2
Public gambling		9	9
Illegal arrest or detention		3	3
Insanitary premises		23	23
Conducting a lottery		2	2
Cruelty to animals		13	13
Obstructing the Police	1	1	2
Loitering for purpose of committing a felony		17	17
Escaping from custody		1	1
Dangerous to peace and good order of Settlement		5	5
Selling indecent pictures		2	2
Excessive storage of kerosene and matches		1	1
Miscellaneous..		26	26
Evading license :—			
Wine shop		5	5
Opium shop		15	15
Breach of license conditions :—			
Wine shop		5	5
Dog	5	1	6
Opium shop		2	2
Tea shop		3	3
Lodging-house		2	2
Laundry		3	3
Building		1	1
Dairy		2	2
Market		3	3
(*d.*) NOT CHARGED :—			
Beggars, Hawkers, Ragpickers		3,100	3,100
Others	52	471	523
Total	74	8,789	8,863

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VEHICLE LICENSES.

	Suspended	Confiscated
Ricsha	2,357	2,577
Wheelbarrow	27	nil
Handcart	nil	nil
Total	2,384	2,577

VALUE OF PROPERTY STOLEN BETWEEN

November 27 and December 31, 1909.

	Dollars
Stolen	43,731.38
Recovered	19,064.94

RETURN OF SENTENCES.

Sentence.	Foreigners	Natives	Total
Imprisonment	6	460	466
Cangue		3	3
Expulsion or deportation	2	5	7
Fined	7	227	234
Imprisonment and cangue		2	2
" " expulsion		65	65
" cangue and expulsion		1	1
Bail forfeited...		4,132	4,132
Remanded	3		3
Cautioned		21	21
Dismissed	1	60	61
Released on Security		58	58
Left to Court		52	52
Handed to parents or guardians		17	17
Sent to Reformatory		3	3
" Sinza Refuge		74	74
" Door of Hope		7	7
" Native Authorities		15	15
Escaped from custody		1	1
Released		1	1
Detained in Court (stray children)		2	2
To be punished by parents at Mixed Court ...		6	6
Cases to be settled privately		6	6
Sent on board ship for punishment	2		2
Ordered to leave Shanghai in 3 days	1		1
Total ...	22	5,218	5,240

Summary of Revenue for December

Description	Estimate for 1909	1909			1908			1907		
		Number	Amount	Total from January 1.	Number	Amount	Total from January 1.	Number	Amount	Total from January 1.
	Tls.		Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.		Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.		Tls. cts.	Tls. cts.
LAND TAX	685,400	—	789.68	688,026.43	—	776.76	685,104.54	—	6,775.99	456,330.14
GENERAL MUNICIPAL RATE—										
* Foreign	499,800	—	36,870.97	487,904.88	—	37,813.51	464,111.60	—	20,232.91	356,028.15
* Native	650,400	—	25,155.37	673,688.64	—	51,621.60	646,268.62	—	39,444.42	550,082.07
WHARFAGE DUES	160,000	—	47,493.06	177,636.01	—	36,707.63	157,957.04	—	39,737.34	179,357.53
LICENSE FEES—										
Foreign Hotel and Tavern	6,500	—	—	7,396.01	—	—	6,251.08	1	7.42	5,457.67
Foreign Liquor Seller	18,000	1	40.00	17,551.58	1	40.00	18,363.04	3	66.67	18,763.86
Restaurant	4,700	1	5.00	4,295.00	—	—	4,760.00	—	—	4,660.00
Billiard and Bowling Saloon	700	—	—	630.50	—	—	667.50	—	—	690.00
Native Club	4,000	1	8.33	2,341.66	—	—	—	—	—	—
Native Lodging-house	6,600	—	—	7,145.50	4	3.00	6,647.23	3	11.30	4,767.77
Native wine-shop	16,000	6	14.50	15,102.00	10	28.00	9,957.96	8	16.60	7,582.83
Tea-shop	7,500	581	782.20	8,566.56	573	493.45	5,895.76	556	483.40	5,460.03
Foreign Theatre	1,800	32	453.00	4,611.16	15	210.00	2,249.00	14	151.00	1,658.35
Native Theatre	3,600	22	341.50	4,197.00	25	318.00	3,728.00	22	220.00	2,727.50
Pawn-shop	17,000	—	—	16,128.95	—	—	16,881.31	—	—	17,342.28
Opium-shop	17,000	241	2,284.00	21,955.20	132	633.12	5,770.25	87	356.28	4,290.29
Opium-house	35,000	284	2,595.50	40,420.42	951	3,174.31	48,454.17	1,462	4,975.82	61,093.55
Cargo Boat	5,800	800	473.99	5,291.79	798	429.85	5,263.97	811	472.87	5,781.42
Ferry and Passenger Boat	1,100	61	91.37	1,082.29	64	94.33	1,107.66	57	84.93	1,162.82
Steam Launch	2,200	46	68.72	2,274.38	50	79.63	2,252.90	46	69.64	2,197.90
Native Boat	3,700	1,584	277.21	3,365.58	1,459	278.50	3,652.38	1,245	316.00	3,834.55
Sampan	1,500	98	73.67	1,340.72	134	91.58	1,469.96	92	90.13	1,663.21
Private-owned Pony and Carriage	14,500	P. 99 C. 81	356.02	16,185.22	P. 114 C. 98	456.24	15,367.60	P. 200 C. 152	460.74	12,232.31
Livery Stable	26,000	P. 738 C. 571	2,271.84	27,633.60	P. 714 C. 544	2,134.13	27,611.34	P. 772 C. 600	2,380.54	29,716.77
Motor Car	2,500	15	35.00	3,027.00	11	35.00	2,428.34	6	9.85	1,520.21
Cart	20,000	921	1,493.50	18,299.93	949	1,123.99	15,893.80	1,058	1,349.66	16,960.02
Private-owned Ricsha	38,000	97	174.37	41,038.80	148	311.33	37,251.97	265	319.13	31,645.18
Public Ricsha	107,000	8,459	9,584.98	112,539.52	8,435	9,346.05	107,699.29	8,180	9,156.15	108,311.45
Sedan-chair	5,200	42	92.99	4,263.79	36	70.98	5,450.25	19	33.79	5,777.67
Wheel-barrow	39,000	7,058	3,533.77	36,914.39	7,191	2,767.13	33,302.06	8,599	3,642.78	37,631.54
Firearms	2,700	—	—	2,175.00	—	—	2,025.00	—	—	—
Dog	1,000	25	18.60	1,047.27	9	6.66	955.52	11	8.22	809.91
RENT OF MUNICIPAL PROPERTIES—										
Markets	38,000	3,250	3,323.51	37,669.06	3,074	3,149.81	36,147.48	2,714	3,008.01	32,311.73
Town Hall	1,000	—	130.00	830.00	—	435.00	730.00	—	300.00	3,041.00
Firemen's Quarters	2,500	—	303.00	2,274.00	—	322.00	1,880.00	—	276.00	1,559.00
Miscellaneous			45.76	718.92			700.00		388.11	3,801.71
FROM PUBLIC COMPANIES—										
Gas Co., Ld.	6,000	—	478.91	5,775.48	—	490.78	5,925.81	—	974.68	5,630.78
Mutual Telephone Co., Ld.	3,000	—	—	3,000.00	—	1,500.00	1,500.00	—	—	—
Electric Construction Co., Ld.	15,000	—	4,450.95	16,321.31	—	3,582.18	10,758.90	—	—	—
Total Tls.	2,469,700		144,116.27	2,520,666.55		158,524.55	2,402,441.33		135,820.38	1,981,881.20

* Still in process of collection.

E. J. ALLEN, *Overseer of Taxes.*

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